

# ***Complete Streets, Grand Boulevards and Main Streets***



***General Plan Task Force  
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# Complete Streets

- **What are “Complete Streets”**
  - *Provide safe, comfortable, attractive travel for all modes*
  - *Consider all ages, abilities, and preferences*
  - *Consider both the “right-of-way” and adjacent land uses*
  - *Every street should be a complete street*
- **Legislative Mandate**
  - *AB 1358 approved September 2008*
  - *Requires General Plan updates to include a multimodal transportation network*





# ***Transportation Policy Background***

- ***Many changes towards “complete streets” over the last 7 years***
- ***Pedestrian Design Standards (2002)***
  - *Decreased minimum turning radius to 15’*
  - *Increased minimum sidewalk widths to 10’*
  - *Trees located behind curb*
- ***Transportation Impact Policy (2005)***
  - *Multimodal policy*
  - *Allows “overriding” traffic congestion impacts*
  - *Facilitates developer funding for pedestrian, bicycle, transit*
- ***“Road Diets”***
  - *Downtown Couplet Conversions (7 corridors)*
  - *Envision 2040 proposals (14 corridors)*



***Branham Lane***

# ***San Jose Bike Plan 2020***

***(adopted November 17, 2009)***

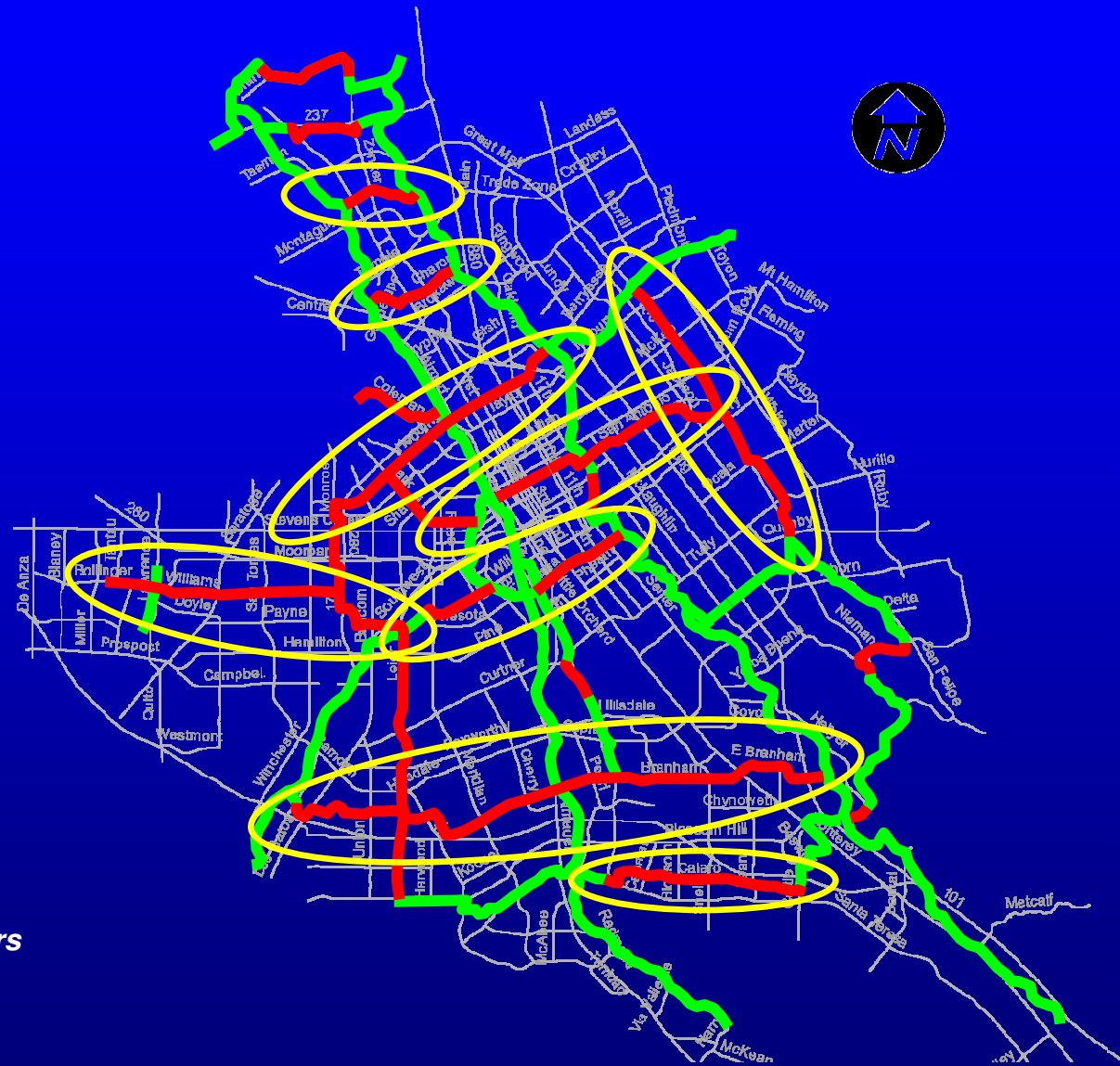
## ■ ***Goals (for 2020)***

- ***Expand Bikeway Network from 250 to 500 Miles***
- ***Increase Bike Trips from 1% to 5%***
- ***Reduce Bike Collision Rate by 50%***
- ***Add 5000 Bike Parking Spaces***
- ***Achieve “Gold” Bike Friendly Community Ranking***

## ■ ***Benefits***

- ***Promote Healthy Living***
- ***Reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions***
- ***Support Key Policy Goals***
  - ***Green Vision***
  - ***Economic Development***
  - ***Envision 2040***

# ***Proposed Primary Bikeway Network***



## **Legend**

-  **Off-street Bike Trails**
-  **On-street Primary Corridors**



# ***Primary Bikeway Network Design Features***



***Trails***



***Multi-Use Sidewalks***



***Colored Bikeways***



***Separated Bikeways***

# ***Grand Boulevards***

- ***Citywide scale***
- ***Major transportation corridors***
- ***Cohesive and interesting urban design***
- ***Enhanced streetscape features (landscaping, lighting, sidewalks, banners)***
- ***Five proposed Grand Boulevards***
  - ***North First Street/Monterey Highway***
  - ***Capitol Avenue/Capitol Expressway***
  - ***Alum Rock/Santa Clara/The Alameda***
  - ***San Carlos/Stevens Creek***
  - ***Meridian Avenue***





# Main Streets

- *Neighborhood scale*
- *Reflect unique character and identity of neighborhood*
- *Retail and neighborhood serving land uses*
- *Emphasis on quality pedestrian facilities*
- *12 proposed Main Streets*
  - *North First/Grand (Alviso)*
  - *River Oaks*
  - *13<sup>th</sup>/Jackson*
  - *Alum Rock (East of Capitol)*
  - *De Anza*
  - *Saratoga*
  - *Winchester*
  - *Bascom*
  - *Lincoln*
  - *Story*
  - *Tully*
  - *Blossom Hill*





# ***Discussion***

- ***Are these the right City Design Concepts?***
- ***Grand Boulevards/Main Streets – feedback on proposed direction***
- ***Should Bike Planning be its own Design Concept?***
- ***Open discussion***